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In the matter of

Amandment of the **FM** Table of
Allotments to Add Channel 271A
at Washington, Kansas

File No. RM-_____
MM Docket No. _____

TO: John A. Karousos, Chief
Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division

PETITION FOR RULEMAKING

1. Andrew Shafer hereby requests that the Commission initiate a rulemaking proceeding in order to amend the FM Tabla of Allotments to add Channel 271A at Washington, Kansas, as follows:

Community	Current Channel Allotment	Proposed Channel Allotments
Washington, KS	--	271A

Included as Attachment A is a channel study in support of this Petition. The channel study utilizes the city reference coordinates of 39° 48' 59" N and 97° 03' 06" W,

2. Washington, Kansas has a population of 1,223 parsons and is located in North Central Kansas about 96 miles North West of Topeka. It is the largest city in, and the county seat of, Washington County. Washington is an incorporated city with a Mayor-Council form of government. Washington County Hospital, Washington Library, and Washington County Museum & Log Cabin also provide service to the community. Washington Elementary (K-6) and Washington High School (7-12) are also located in Washington, KS. See Washington, KS website <http://www.washingtonks.net>. Washington also has a city park and golf course. There are two motels and several churches in Washington, KS.

3. No other radio station, AM or FM, station is licensed to Washington. The proposed allotment would meet all spacing requirements, as specified in Section 73.207 of

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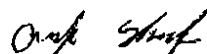
the Commission's Rules, and its proposed 3.18 mV/m contour would cover the entire community of Washington. It would be in the public interest to add Channel 271A at Washington, thereby providing a first local FM service there. Provision of a first local service is recognized as a "priority one" factor in evaluation of proposed channel allotments. See *Revision of FM Assignment Policies and Procedures*, 90 F.C.C.2d 88 (1982).

5. If the Commission allots Channel 271A at Washington, Kansas, I (either individually or through a business organization in which I will be a principal) will apply for a construction permit for that channel and, if that application is granted, I will construct and operate the proposed station.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated, Andrew Shafer requests that the FM Table of Allotments be amended as follows:

Community	Current Channel Allotment	Proposed Channel Allotments
Washington, KS	--	271A

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew Shafer

3961 Regent Ave.
Cincinnati, OH 45212

2/6/2003

Washington, KS

REFERENCE

39 48 59 N

97 03 06 W

CLASS = A

Current Spacings

DISPLAY DATES

DATA 12-06-02

SEARCH 02-06-03

Channel 271 - 102.1 MHz

Call	Channel	Location	Dist	Azi	FCC	Margin
RDEL	DEL	271C Kansas City	MO	226.98	110.6	226.0 0.98
KSRC	LIC	271C Kansas City	MO	226.98	110.6	226.0 0.98
KZSN	LIC	271C Hutchinson	KS	228.10	190.7	226.0 2.10
KLTQ	LIC	270C0 Lincoln	NE	155.20	27.6	152.0 3.20
KSRC.C	CP	271C Kansas City	MO	236.24	109.2	226.0 10.24
RADD	ADD	271C0 Kansas City	MO	226.98	110.6	215.0 11.98
RADD	ADD	271C0 Kansas City	MO	236.24	109.2	215.0 21.24
KBLS	LIC	273C1 North Fort Riley	KS	98.53	167.0	75.0 23.53
KMKF	LIC	268C2 Manhattan	KS	79.26	140.5	55.0 24.26
KFRX	LIC	274C1 Lincoln	NE	116.35	16.5	75.0 41.35
KRNY	LIC	272C1 Kearney	NE	175.42	300.5	133.0 42.42